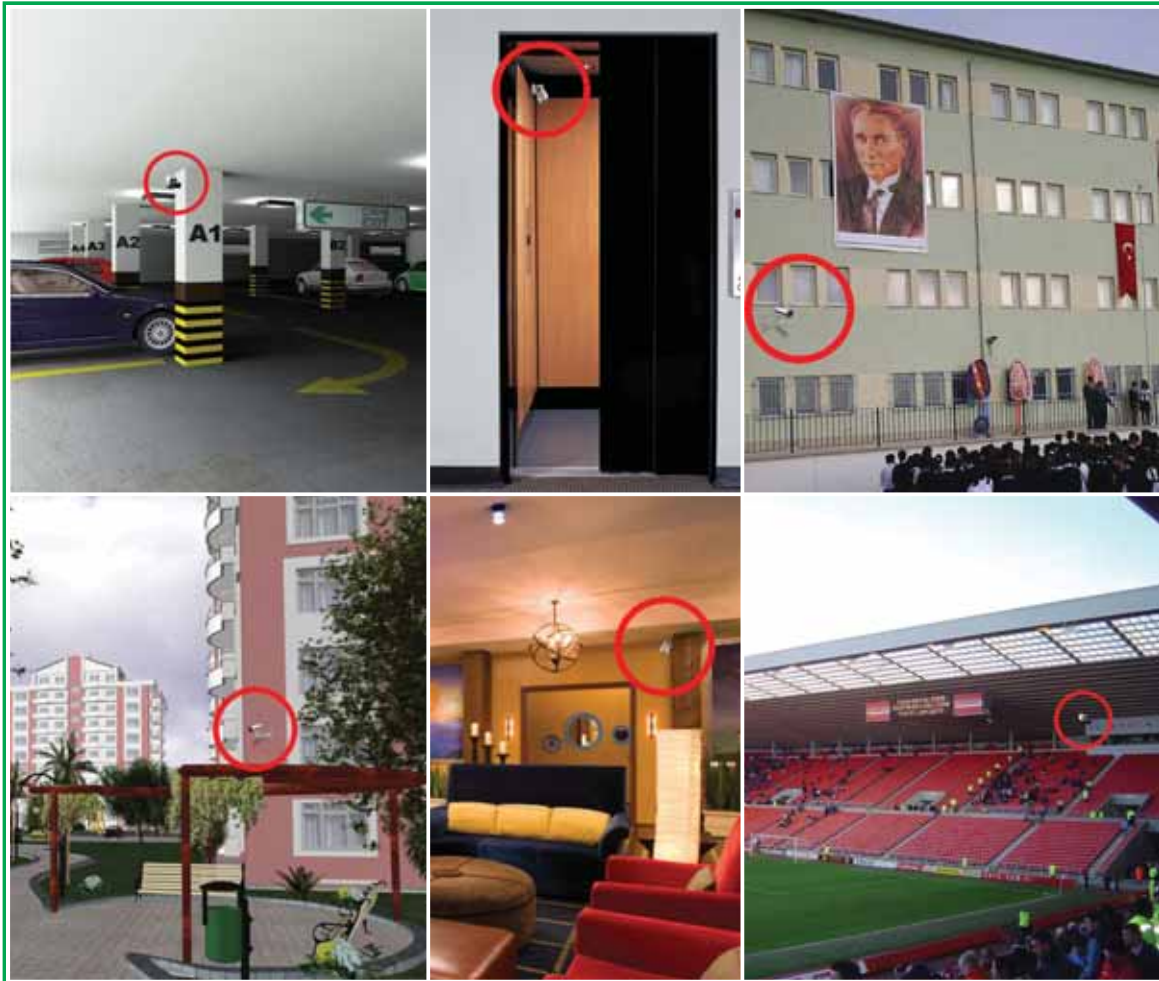


A

- a. Do you use the latest inventions? In what areas do they make your lives easier and safer?  
 b. Where are security cameras mostly used? Why?



- c. Read the text and find out at least three places where cameras are used.

1. .... 2. .... 3. ....

**CAMERAS**

One of the latest technological developments is cameras, which have been used for many years, especially to fight against crime. First, cameras have started to be installed in public places such as car parks and shopping centres where the number of the staff isn't enough to prevent theft. Recent surveys have shown that theft has decreased in the places where cameras are installed. Cameras have also been used in schools, colleges and office lifts to prevent the theft of valuable equipment such as computers. Secondly, cameras are helpful in preventing hooligans from spoiling the pleasure of the majority at some social events like football matches. They film people at large sporting events so it is easy to distinguish the people who are hooligans. Finally, cameras are used outside our houses as it is a good way of catching thieves. To conclude, it is possible to reduce crime and feel more secure by means of cameras.

- d. Read and decide if the following statements are T (True) or F (False).

- 1. Cameras have just started to be used against crime.
- 2. There has been a fall in theft, thanks to cameras.
- 3. It is not possible to identify hooligans by using cameras.
- 4. People prefer to use cameras outside their houses for burglars.
- 5. Technology helps us to feel more secure in our daily lives.

e. Read the text and write the reasons why cameras are installed in the places mentioned.

PLACES WHERE CAMERAS ARE INSTALLED	REASON
schools, colleges and office lifts	.....
football fields	.....
outside our houses	.....

**B**

a. Read the situations and match them with the best explanations.

- 1. Ali didn't get a high mark for his homework.
  - 2. She got very tired while cleaning the house.
  - 3. He took photos with his mobile phone.
  - 4. I think he will come here by the underground.
  - 5. They are paying a lot for the central heating.
- a) It might be the only means of transport he knows.  
 b) The house could have been very dirty.  
 c) It should have been done more carefully.  
 d) They should be paying a large bill.  
 e) It might have had a camera.

b. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

**SERVANTS OF OUR CENTURY – ROBOTS**

In the past, there(1) ..... (be) thousands of servants in great empires like ancient Rome, Egypt or Greece. There were slaves doing all the work for their masters and mistresses so rich people (2) ..... (spend) their time for travel, sports, leisure activities and education.



Today the slaves (3) ..... (not be) human – they are machines which (4) ..... (call) 'robots'. The word 'robot' (5) ..... (come) from Czechoslovakia. They are machines which can be (6) ..... (teach) or programmed to do useful work. They mostly (7) ..... (work) in factories, especially on production lines. That's where something like a TV or a car is put together piece by piece. For years, this work (8) ..... (be) very boring and tiring for human workers.

Today's robots (9) ..... (be) more intelligent than ever before. They may even have mini TV cameras which (10) ..... (make) them able to see. In the future, they (11) ..... (be able to / work) at homes, offices, shops almost anywhere. Since they were invented, they (12) ..... (also / do) other jobs apart from working on production lines. They can help to defuse bombs, work underground helping to find metals and minerals, control flying weapons, take photos and collect rocks on planets like the Mars without risking human life. Robots

(13) ..... (also / work) under the sea as robot divers and submarines to repair oil-rigs and find wrecks.

Robots are clever but still not clever enough to do some tasks like washing the dishes, making beds, cleaning floor or cutting grass. But it is a fact that robots will help to create a leisure society for the next generation and they may increase unemployment. So this (14) ..... (depend) on us. Only we can decide whether we control the robots or they (15) ..... (control) us.

c. Lisa is talking about her past and present habits. Write sentences as in the example below.

Twenty years ago	Now
write letters to my friends	vacuum the floors
listen to the news on the radio	write e-mails to my friends
sweep the floors	watch the news on TV
go to the post office for phone calls	use geothermal energy
use coal and fuel-oil for heating	use my mobile phone

0. I used to listen to the news on the radio, but now I watch the news on TV.

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

